

Nativity of Ophthalmic patients in the Ernakulam Hospital, etc.

304. Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) of the Ophthalmic patients in the Ernakulam Hospital, how many are Cochinites, how many from Travancore and how many from other parts;

(2) whether they are aware that there is less difficulty to get temporary accommodation in Trichur than in Ernakulam for those who resort to these places for treatment from outside;

(3) whether in-patients are taken in the ophthalmic ward at Trichur; if so, how many beds are there?

Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao.—1. *In-patients*

Cochinites 195

Travancoreans 70

Natives of other places 6

Regarding out-patients no enquiries are generally made of their native places and hence no information can be given.

(2) Government are not aware.

(3) There is no separate ophthalmic ward at Trichur. But at times they are accommodated in the two rooms attached to the out-patient and if there are more patients they will be admitted in the general wards. Two to four beds.

Applications for permits to take clay from the Pozhil of Pallippuram.

305. Mr. K. Ayyappan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) how many applications have been received in the Revenue Department in the year for permits to take clay from the poramboke Pozhil of Pallippuram;

(2) how many of the applications have been granted and how many rejected; and

(3) whether the department is aware that clay from the Pozhil is the only manure available for cocoanut gardens in the Pallippuram village?

Rao Bahadur Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—

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(2) have been sanctioned and the remaining one is pending enquiry.

(3) The clay is used by some people as manure for cocoanut gardens.